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attend, since I was due for dinner at Sir Steven Runciman's at eight o'clock. E went to Bath this morning with Polly Jones, for the opening of the Colonial Dames' garden at the American Museum. This is almost a replica of the lovely George Washington garden at Mt. Vernon.

I saw Cecil (Joe) Gray late this afternoon. He was Consul General in Paris when I was there, and is now retired after a long and distinguished career in the Foreign Service. He is one of the best officers I have ever met.

The Runciman dinner was fun. The guests were the Christopher James, Philip and Lady Margaret Hay, Lady Moira Hamilton, a delightful Chinese pianist and his wife, Steven's sister, and the Dalkeiths. The last are a particularly engaging couple. Mary Christine James is a granddaughter of Paul Claudel. Her father and mother, who were friends of ours in Washington, are now stationed in Naples. The mother is a Greek, a sister of John Russell's wife, Aliki. The dinner was featured by wonderful cold, fresh crab meat, a delicacy one rarely sees here.

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John Sinclair came to tell me good-by this morning. He resigned from the Service as of May 31, and is going home to look for employment.

John Ives brought in General Frederic Smith, Jr., Vice Chief of Staff of USAF, who is retiring. He is leaving at once for Washington. After a three months vacation he hopes to find employment in private business.

Valentine K. Raymond, a classmate of mine at Princeton, brought his son, William A. Raymond, to see me. This is the first time either of them has been in England.

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